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SAUDI EDITORIAL COMMENT ON ITEMS MENTIONED IN  
REF WIS CIRCULAR OVERTAKEN BY ANNOUNCEMENT UPCOMING  
KISSINGER VISIT TO THE MIDDLE EAST. COMMENT ON HIS  
TRIP, TO DATE, IS AS FOLLOWS:

1. IN "TALK OF THE HOUR" COLUMN, AUGUST 19, IN  
MADINA A DAILY PAPER PUBLISHED IN JIDDA,  
AHMAD MAHMOUD WRITES (EXTRACT): "DR. KISSINGER  
RETURNS TO THE AREA TO CONFIRM HIS COUNTRY'S ROLE  
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IN ACHIEVING PEACE TO THIS TROUBLED AREA....

IT APPEARS THAT THE ARABS ARE SATISFIED SO FAR WITH THE LIMITED PRESSURE WASHINGTON HAS EXERTED ON THE "JEWISH ENTITY" AS AMERICAN HAS ANNOUNCED ITS DETERMINATION TO REJECT ISRAELI CONTINUED OCCUPATION AND HER COMPLETE NEGLIGENCE OF THE PALESTINIANS' LEGITIMATE RIGHTS."

2. YOUSIF DAMANHOURI IN AUGUST 19 UKAZ, A JIDDA DAILY, IN THE "ISSUES AND OPINIONS" COLUMN (PARAPHRASE): WALDHEIM, UN SECRETARY GENERAL HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM IS THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE THAT CONFRONTS THE U.S. SUCH A STATEMENT COMING AT THIS TIME, MAKES IT LOOK AS IF WALDHEIM WANTED TO REMIND KISSINGER THAT ANY FAILURE TO ACHIEVE PROGRESS THIS TIME MAY LEAD TO WORLD DISASTER.

3. IN YESTERDAY'S NEWS OF THE ISLAMIC WORLD, A MECCA DAILY, THE MANAGING EDITOR WROTE THAT KISSINGER'S RETURN TO THE MIDDLE EAST REPRESENTS "A SUCCESS TO THE ARAB POLITICAL PLAN WHICH AIMS AT REGAINING PARTS OF OUR LAND STEP BY STEP." HE SAID THAT IT APPEARS ISRAEL WOULD NOT WITHDRAW WITHOUT SOMETHING IN RETURN AND THAT AMERICA HAS NOW PAID THIS PRICE THROUGH MODERN WEAPONS AND HEAVY FINANCIAL AID. HOWEVER, HE NOTES, "OUR ARAB NATION MUST BE AWARE THAT THE ISRAELI ENEMY, WHO MAY NOW BE EVACUATING PART OF OUR URSURPED LANDS, WILL NEVER GIVE UP ITS EXPANSIONIST PLAN AGAINST THE ARAB NATION."  
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